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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7479**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1645

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 12, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Evansville State Hospital Property.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Hasler

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
X DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that local zoning ordinances and requirements relating to municipal roads and streets do not apply to certain property in Vanderburgh County. It requires the conveyance of certain Evansville State Hospital property to the city of Evansville and certain other grantees. The bill requires the Department of Transportation (INDOT) to work with the city of Evansville and other persons for establishment of a greenway system connecting to the Evansville State Hospital property.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2003.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** P.L. 195-2001 was passed by the General Assembly to convey certain state property formerly occupied by the Evansville State Hospital to unnamed grantees. The parcels of land to be conveyed have not been appraised, so their value is not known. This bill specifies the three parties to receive the parcels: Preservation Park, Inc., a non-profit organization; the city of Evansville; and the Buffalo Trace Council of the Boy Scouts of America. The conveyance of the parcels is to be made without consideration, that is at no cost to the parties involved.

In addition, the INDOT is to assist the city of Evansville and the Evansville Urban Transit Study to determine the most practical way to connect the grounds of the Evansville State Hospital with Wesselman Park, Wesselman Woods, and the Pigeon Creek greenway system. For the INDOT, there will additional costs associated with this work, most likely additional travel and staff time. The fund affected is the State Highway Fund.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** The costs for the city of Evansville are unknown and will depend upon

the decisions made by the city, the INDOT, and the Evansville Urban Transit Study.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Transportation; Department of Administration.

**Local Agencies Affected:** City of Evansville.

**Information Sources:**

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